

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 1-800-822-6228 – www.energy.ca.gov

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PLANT PROJECT

DOCKET NO. 09-AFC-10

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NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND START TIME FOR THE OCTOBER 11, 2010, STAFF ISSUE RESOLUTION WORKSHOP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Committee designated by the Energy Commission to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification (AFC) for the **RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PROJECT** has rescheduled the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing and changed the start time for the October 11, 2010, Staff Issue Resolution Workshop as follows:

Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2010
Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2010
Beginning at 9:00 a.m.

California Energy Commission
Hearing Room B
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

October 11, 2010, Staff Issue Resolution Workshop:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2010

Beginning at 1:00 p.m.

California Energy Commission 3rd Floor Conference Room (Fish Bowl) 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Please note that the Rice Project Committee of Commissioner Weisenmiller and Chairman Douglas will not be participating in the October 11, 2010 Staff Issue Resolution Workshop.

TELECONFERENCE OPTIONS

<u>Issue Resolution Workshop</u>: You may participate in the Issue Resolution Workshop by calling 1-866-469-3239 and entering meeting number 923 316 042 #.

<u>Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing</u>: You may participate in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing by telephone and/or by computer via our "WebEx" web conferencing system. For details on how to participate, please see the "Participation in the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing Through WebEx" section at the end of this Notice.

Petitions to Intervene to Become a Formal Party

The Energy Commission's Decision on the Rice Solar Energy Project will be based on the official evidentiary record developed at the Evidentiary Hearing. Only formal parties may present evidence and cross-examine witnesses at the Evidentiary Hearing. Anyone with an appropriate interest in this project may file a Petition to Intervene and become a formal party. At the Evidentiary Hearing, a formal party may offer testimony and documentary evidence, receive documents filed by other parties, and cross-examine witnesses. However, a formal party must also comply with Committee orders, procedures, and filing requirements, and is subject to discovery and having its own witnesses cross-examined by other parties.

The initial deadline to file a Petition to Intervene in this case was **Monday, September**13, 2010. Petitions filed after that date may be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

How to Intervene

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's office will assist any person or organization interested in preparing a Petition to Intervene. For assistance in this process, contact the Public Adviser's office at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228 or e-mail: [publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us].

Public Participation

Members of the public are welcome to attend and offer comments at the Prehearing Conference and the Evidentiary Hearing. It is not necessary to be an Intervenor to participate in the public process. Anyone desiring information on how to participate may contact the Public Adviser's office as indicated above.

Comments made after the Evidentiary Hearing may be discussed in the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) or treated and discussed as comments on the PMPD, at the Committee's discretion. Comments made to the Western Area Power Administration, Bureau of Land Management, or the Energy Commission will be shared with the other agencies.

Energy Commission Information

The Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office is available to assist the public in participating in the application review process. For those individuals who require general information on how to participate, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or (800) 822-6228 or e-mail: [publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us].

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 or e-mail: [lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us].

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kourtney Vaccaro, the Hearing Officer, at (916) 654-4328 or e-mail: [kvaccaro@energy.state.ca.us].

Technical questions concerning the Project should be addressed to John Kessler, the Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-4679, or by e-mail: [jkessler@energy.state.ca.us]. Media inquiries should be directed to the office for Media and Public Communications at 916-654-4989 or e-mail: [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us].

Information concerning the status of the Project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's website at:

[www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/ricesolar/index.html]

Dated October 7, 2010, at Sacramento, California.

ROBERT B. WEISENMILLER

Commissioner and Presiding Member Rice Solar AFC Committee

KAREN DOUGLAS

Chairman and Associate Member

Rice Solar AFC Committee

Mailed to lists: 7386, 7387, 7388, 7389

RICE SOLAR ENERGY POWER PLANT PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND EVIDENTIARY HEARING PARTICIPATION THROUGH WEBEX THE ENERGY COMMISSION'S ON-LINE MEETING SERVICE

1. Computer Log-on with a Direct Phone Number:

- Please go to https://energy.webex.com and enter the MEETING NUMBER
 - > 10/29/10 MEETING NUMBER: 925 337 538
- When prompted, enter your information and the <u>MEETING PASSWORD</u>: rice@10am

After you login, a prompt will appear on-screen for you to provide your phone number. In the Phone Number box, type your area code and phone number and click OK. You will receive a call back on your phone for the audio portion of the meeting. International callers can use the "Country/Region" button to help make their connection.

2. Computer Log-on for Callers with an Extension Phone Number, Etc:

- Please go to https://energy.webex.com and enter the meeting number and the meeting password (specific to the hearing date).
- After you login, a prompt will ask for your phone number. Click "CANCEL."
- Instead call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada). When prompted, enter the meeting number above and your unique Attendee ID number which is listed in the top left area of your computer screen after you login.

3. TELEPHONE ONLY (NO COMPUTER ACCESS):

- Call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada) and when prompted enter the meeting number unique to the specific hearing date:
 - > 10/29/10 MEETING NUMBER: 925 337 538

If you have difficulty joining the meeting, please call the WebEx Technical Support number at 1-866-229-3239. To see if your computer is compatible, visit [http://support.webex.com/support/system-requirements.html].

Please be aware that the meeting's WebEx audio and on-screen activity may be recorded.